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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: King Y. Poon
Toshiya KANAZAWA	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2624
Appln. No.: 09/878,305	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 3029
Filed: June 12, 2001	)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS	)	March 29, 2006
HAVING BBS FUNCTION AND CONTROL	:	
METHOD THEREOF AND PROGRAM	)	
THEREOF, AND STORAGE MEDIUM	:	

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Introductory Comments

Prior to examination on the merits and in response to the December 29, 2005

final Official Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows: